

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed 1/17/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-11, 13-27 and 29-35.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Eric Nuss on 4/03/06.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

In claim 5, line 2, replace "1.1" with --1.5--.

In claim 18, line 2, replace "1.1" with --1.5--.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-11, 13-27, and 29-35 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

- Regarding claims 1 and 14, the prior art fails to teach a panel that satisfies the condition of $1.5 \leq (R_{xs}/R_{yc}) \leq 3.3$, wherein R_{xs} is defined as an inner curvature radius along an edge of a longer side of the panel, and R_{yc} is defined as an inner curvature radius along a line in the center of the panel parallel to the shorter side

of the panel, in combination with the remaining claimed limitations as called for in claims 1 and 14 (claims 2-11, 13, and 15-23 would be allowable for the same reasons since they are dependent on claims 1 and 14);

- Regarding claim 24, the prior art fails to teach a panel that satisfies the condition of $.22Zd \leq Z(d/2) \leq .26Zd$, wherein Zd is the height difference between a point on the inner surface of the panel at the central point and a point on the inner surface of the panel at the corner of the effective area of the panel, and $Z(d/2)$ is the height difference between a point on the inner surface of the panel at the central point and a point on the inner surface of the panel half way between the central point and the corner of the effective area of the panel, in combination with the remaining claimed limitations as called for in claims 24 (claims 25-27 and 29-35 are allowable for the same reasons since they are dependent on claim 24).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."


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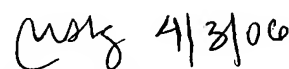
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to *Anthony Perry* whose telephone number is (571) 272-2459. The examiner can normally be reached between the hours of 9:00AM to 5:30PM Monday thru Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel, can be reached on (571) 272-24597. **The fax phone number for this Group is (571) 273-8300.**

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